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In re the Application of

Robert C. TONKS et al.

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For:

VTOL AIRCRAFT NOZZLE

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 1998, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-5 and 12 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend claims 1, 6-7, 9 and 11 as follows:

1. (Amended) An airframe/nozzle arrangement for a VTOL or STOVL aircraft having [a] an airframe mounted propulsive system for generating vertical lift, the arrangement comprising a discharge nozzle and exit opening in an underside of the airframe, a hinged deflector door pivotally mounted on the underside of the airframe for exhaust efflux deflection, the deflector door being provided with a pair of lateral sidewalls which are pivotally movable with respect to the deflector door and connected for co-ordinated pivotal movement,

